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FOR

NEW-YEAR's - DAY.

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To God, who lengthens out our days,
Who fpares us yet another year,
And lets us fee his goodness here,
Happy, and wase, the time redeem,
And live, my friends, and die to him.

- 2 How often when his arm was bar'd, Hath he our finful Ifrael spar'd!

 Let them alone his mercy cried,
 And turn'd the vengeful bolt aside,
 Indulg'd another kind reprieve,
 And strangely suffer'd us to live.
- But now the threat'ning axe we faw,
 We faw when Jesus stept between,
 To part the punishment and fin,
 He pleaded for the blood-bought race,
 And God vouchsaf'd a longer space!
- Still in the doubtful balance weigh'd,
 We trembl'd, while the remnant pray'd;
 The Father heard his Spirit groan,
 And answer'd mild, It is my fon!
 He let the pray'r of faith prevail,
 And mercy turn'd the hov'ring scale.
- Merciful God, how shall we raise
 Our hearts to pay thee all thy praise!
 Our hearts shall beat for Thee alone,
 Our lives shall make thy goodness known;
 Our souls and bodies shall be Thine,
 A living sacrifice divine.
- 6 I, and my house, will serve the Lord,
 Led by the Spirit and the Word;
 We plight our faith assembled here,
 To serve our God the ensuing year;
 And yow, when time shall be no more,
 Through all eternity to adore.

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YE worms of earth, arife,
Ye creatures of a day,
Redeem the time, be bold, be wife,
And cast your bonds away;
Shake of the chains of sin,
Like us assembled here,
With hymns of praise to usher in
The acceptable year.

The year of gospel-grace
Like us rejoice to see,
And thankfully in Christ embrace,
Your proffer'd liberty.
Pardon and peace are nigh,
Which ev'ry soul may prove;
The Lord, who now is passing by,
Makes this the time of love.

Saviour and Lord of all,
Thy proffer we receive,
Obedient to thy gospel-call
That bids us turn and live;
Our former years misspent,
Though late, we deeply mourn,
And soften'd by thy grace repent,
And to thy arms return.

With fear, and grief, and shame, Our folly we bemoan, But wonder at the patient Lamb, Who lets us still alone:

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Thy patience lifts us up,
Thy free unbounded grace,
And all our fear is loft in hope,
And all our grief in praise.

Our praise and lives we pay,
Praise, ardent, cordial, constant give,
And shout to see thy day:
The day of saving grace,
The consecrated year,
When the bright Sun of Righteousness,
Doth to our world appear.

Rifen, we know Thou art,
With healing in thy wings.
We feel, we feel it in our heart,
The life thy prefence brings!
The feal and earnest this,
Our pardon we receive,
And look with Thee in glorious bliss.

Eternally to live.

HYMN III.

BLOW ye the trumpet blow,
The gladly folemn found,
Let all the nations know,
To earth's remotest bound,
The year of jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed finners, home!

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Jesus, our great High-priest,

Hath sull atonement made:
Ye weary spirits rest,
Ye mournful souls be glad,
The year of jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home!

Extol the Lamb of God,
The all-atoning Lamb;
Redemption in his blood
Throughout the world proclaim;
The year of jubilee is come:
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home!

Ye slaves of fin, and hell
Your liberty receive,
And safe in Jesus dwell,
And blest in Jesus live:
The year of jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home!

Ye who have fold for nought
Your heritage above,
Shall have it back unbought,
The gift of Jesu's love:
The year of jubilee is come:
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home!

The gospel-trumpet hear,
The news of heavenly grace,
And faved from earth appear
Before your Saviour's face:
The year of jubilee is come;
Return to your eternal home.

HYMN IV.

ALL praise to the Lord,
Whose trumpet we hear,
Which speaks in his word
The festival year:
The loud proclamation
Of freedom from thrall,
And gospel-salvation
Is published to all.

2 The year of release
Even now is begun,
And pardon, and peace
With Jesus sent down;
Eternal redemption
Through him we obtain,
And present exemption,
From passionate pain.

Ye fpirits enflaved
Your liberty claim,
Believe, and be faved
Through Jefus's name;
That infinite Lover
Of finners embrace,
And gladly recover
His forfeited grace.

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Your prisons resound,
Your fetters are loose,
Your souls are unbound:

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For which ye were born,

From Satan's oppression

To heaven return.

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Our journey pursue,
Roll round with the year,
And never stand still, till the Master appear;
His adorable will
Let us gladly fulfil,
And our talents improve
By the patience of hope, and the labour of love.

Our life is a dream,
Our time, as a stream,
Glides swiftly away,
And the fugitive moment refuses to stay:
The arrow is slown,
The moment is gone,
The milennial year
Rushes on to our view, and eternity's here!

Of his coming might fay,

"I have fought my way thro',

I have finished the work thou didst give me to do!"

O that each from his Lord,

May receive the glad word,

"Well and faithfully done,

Enter into my joy, and sit down on my throne!"

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- THE Lord of earth and sky,
 The God of ages praise,
 Who reigns enthroned on high,
 Ancient of endless days,
 Who lengthens out our trial here,
 And spares us yet another year.
- Barren and withered trees

 We cumbered long the ground,

 No fruit of holiness

 On our dead fouls was found;

 Yet doth he us in mercy spare

 Another, and another year.
 - When justice bared the sword
 To cut the fig-tree down,
 The pity of our Lord
 Cried, let it still alone!
 The Father mild inclines his ear,
 And spares us yet another year.
- Jesus, thy speaking blood,
 From God obtained the grace,
 Who therefore hath bestowed
 On us a longer space;
 Thou didst in our behalf appear,
 And lo, we see another year!
- Then dig about our root,
 Break up our fallow ground,
 And let our gracious fruit
 To thy great praise abound;
 O let us all thy praise declare,
 And fruit unto perfection bear.

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H Y M N VII.

SING to the great Jehovah's praise!

All praise to him belongs,
Who kindly lengthens out our days,
Demands our choicest songs:
Whose providence has brought us through
Another various year,
We all with vows and anthems new,
Before our God appear.

2 Father, thy mercies past we own,
Thy still-continued care,
To Thee presenting through thy Son,
Whate'er we have, or are;
Our lips and lives shall gladly show
The wonders of thy love,
While on in Jesu's steps we go
To see thy face above.

Our residue of days or hours
Thine, wholly Thine shall be,
And all our confectated powers
A facrifice to Thee:
Till Jesus in the clouds appear
To saints on earth forgiven,
And bring the grand sabbatic year
The jubilee of heaven.

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